

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Imaizumi

Application No.: 10/023,711

Filing Date: December 21, 2001

For: METHOD FOR PRODUCING TARGET
SUBSTANCE BY FERMENTATION

Art Unit: 1652

Examiner: Fronda

Attorney Ref. No.: US-1460

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**Mail Stop RCE**

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant respectfully petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) to extend the period for response to the Office Action dated April 20, 2004, which set a 3-month shortened statutory period for reply, 3 month(s) to October 20, 2004.

☐ The period for response has previously been extended to

Please charge our deposit account 50-3077 the requisite fees for this petition. Also, the undersigned hereby authorizes the Commissioner to charge any deficiency, or credit any overpayment, necessary to maintain pendency of this application to the same deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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